



EDAP

What is an Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics (EDAP)?

EDAPs are hospitals that voluntarily meet specific standards established for the care of children aged 14 years and under. The hospitals have pediatric-sized equipment and specially trained staff to address children’s unique medical needs. Currently, there are 40 hospitals in the EDAP system, including one hospital in Orange County and one in Ventura County.

Why are EDAPs important?

The needs of children are different from those of adults. Children have a different spectrum of disease, and their smaller bodies require specialized medical procedures and equipment that take into account their size and stage of development. In addition, when children are sick or in pain, they may not express their concerns the same way an adult would. Pediatric advocates feel that children in need of medical care do better when taken care of by physicians and nurses who are trained to attend to both a child’s physical and emotional needs.



What do EDAPs offer?

- Equipment specially designed for pediatric patients
- A staff of physicians and nurses who are trained in both pediatric emergency medicine and pediatric advanced life support
- A Medical Director who is responsible for assuring quality of care by reviewing pediatric patient medical records.
- The ED Nurse Manager/Director and Pediatric Liaison Nurse oversees the quality improvement program and ensures the EDAP meets established standards

Did you know?

- Pediatric patients who require emergency medical care are taken directly to an EDAP by paramedics through the 9-1-1 system.
- EDAPs were first established in 1985 and are unique to L.A. County.
- Before the formation of EDAPs, the appropriate pediatric equipment was not available in all emergency departments.
- EDAPs participate in a variety of research projects, including the pediatric airway study, which compared different methods of delivering oxygen to children during an emergency.
- The Emergency Medical Services Agency monitors EDAPs to ensure that L.A. County children receive the highest quality emergency care possible.
- The Pediatric Advisory Committee comprised of physicians and nurses with pediatric expertise advises the EMS Agency on pediatric related issues



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KIDS IN HOT CARS CALL 9-1-1

IF YOU SEE A CHILD IN A HOT CAR, DON'T HESITATE TO ACT. GET HIM OR HER OUT IMMEDIATELY.

Always Look Before You Lock

Always check the back seats of your vehicle before your lock it and walk away.

Keep in Mind a Child's Sensitivity to Heat

In 10 minutes, a car's temperature can rise over 20 degrees.

Even at an outside temperature of 60 degrees, the temperature inside your car can reach 110 degrees. A child dies when his/her body temperature reaches 107 degrees.

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| 1. Antelope Valley Hospital | 21. Methodist Hospital of Southern California |
| 2. Beverly Hospital | 22. Northridge Hospital Medical Center |
| 3. California Hospital Medical Center | 23. Pacifica Hospital of the Valley |
| 4. Cedars-Sinai Medical Center | 24. Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center |
| 5. Centinela Hospital Medical Center | 25. PIH Health Hospital–Whittier |
| 6. Children’s Hospital Los Angeles | 26. Providence Holy Cross Medical Center |
| 7. Citrus Valley Medical Center–Queen of the Valley Campus | 27. Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center San Pedro |
| 8. PIH Health Hospital–Downey | 28. Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center Torrance |
| 9. Encino Hospital Medical Center | 29. Providence Saint Joseph Medical Center |
| 10. Glendale Adventist Medical Center | 30. Providence Tarzana Medical Center |
| 11. Glendale Memorial Hospital and Health Center | 31. Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center |
| 12. Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital | 32. UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica |
| 13. Huntington Memorial Hospital | 33. Sherman Oaks Hospital |
| 14. LAC Harbor-UCLA Medical Center | 34. St. Francis Medical Center |
| 15. LAC Olive View-UCLA Medical Center | 35. St. Mary Medical Center |
| 16. LAC+USC Medical Center | 36. Torrance Memorial Medical Center |
| 17. La Palma Intercommunity Hospital (Orange County) | 37. Valley Presbyterian Hospital |
| 18. Long Beach Memorial Medical Center | 38. USC Verdugo Hills Hospital |
| 19. Los Robles Hospital & Medical Center (Ventura County) | 39. West Hills Hospital and Medical Center |
| 20. Memorial Hospital of Gardena | 40. White Memorial Medical Center |